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1 That's done by another individual at your lab?

2 A. Correct. I don't -- I don't analyze  
3 these from start to finish. I just get called in if  
4 there's a question or -- on the refractive indices or  
5 structure, sort of the tiebreaker.

6 Q. Okay. And so am I correct that for  
7 each of the 21 Gold Bond samples identified on this  
8 chart, as well as the additional sample that you  
9 referenced a moment ago for a total of 22 samples,  
10 those were all tested for purposes of the PLM  
11 analysis for chrysotile by Mr. Paul Hess, is that  
12 right?

13 A. Yes, sir, I believe so.

14 Q. Okay. And it's -- is it Mr. Hess --  
15 he's the one who's looking through the PLM microscope  
16 to make the determination of the particle's color and  
17 then also a determination to match it to a refractive  
18 index?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And he makes that determination in  
21 both the parallel orientation of the particle as well  
22 as the perpendicular orientation of the particle,  
23 correct?

24 A. That is correct.

25 Q. Is it Mr. Hess that also makes the

1 30 -- 31 or 32 other structures that have been  
2 identified as chrysotile, correct?

3 A. He is.

4 Q. And the slides -- the microscope  
5 slides that would support the data and his finding  
6 that there were 37 bundles of chrysotile, those  
7 slides are discarded shortly after the analysis,  
8 correct?

9 A. They don't last within a couple of  
10 weeks.

11 Q. And so they would be discarded,  
12 correct?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Let me get out of this.

15 Dr. Longo, at the beginning of the  
16 deposition we were talking about exposures, and you  
17 talked about Mr. Streck's exposure through brake work  
18 and the Americana project, and I believe the term you  
19 used was "significant exposure." Is that the term  
20 you're comfortable using?

21 A. Yes. I just -- I don't use it as a --  
22 when I say "significant," I'm using it as significant  
23 over background, which I don't -- which background  
24 asbestos, in my opinion, does not exist unless  
25 asbestos is being disturbed, but I use it as a

1 things we were just talking about.

2 I think you said that PLM analysis  
3 is -- whether it's subjective depends on the analyst  
4 who's performing the analysis, or something along  
5 those lines, is that correct?

6 A. That's correct.

7 Q. And so just to make sure I'm clear --

8 A. And how much experience they have on  
9 doing this, you know, repetitive, et cetera. And so  
10 just doing asbestos-added products, you know, it's  
11 pretty straightforward.

12 Q. But you wouldn't disagree that there's  
13 certainly a subjective element to PLM analysis.

14 A. You know, just depends on your  
15 training and how much experience you've got. You  
16 know, this -- and it's typically .00 -- 0.0005 is the  
17 error rate. So it's like anything else, these types  
18 of analysis. But I don't think it's that subjective  
19 if you are well experienced and you look at standards  
20 and you validate the method.

21 Q. And this subjective part would be  
22 somebody looks under a microscope, looks at a sample  
23 under a PLM microscope, and they try to match up the  
24 color they're seeing to the color on a central  
25 dispersion staining chart, correct?

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